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Federal Civil Defense Administration, Washington 25, D. C.

Office of the Administrator

June 30, 1955

Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

It is a pleasure to report that measurable gains were made in 1954 toward Civil Defense preparedness for the Nation. These gains are noted in our enclosed Amnual Report to the President and the Congress.

Much of our progress was due to the increased effort by other Federal Agencies. Nevertheless, as I am sure your reports on Operation Alert clearly demonstrated, we have a long way to go before we can adcept our degree of Civil Defense preparedness as reasonably satisfactory.

I am sure your continuing personal interest will assist in accelerating our progress in the months ahead.

Sincerely,

(signed)

Val Peterson

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